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PROJECTS APPROVED UNDER PMGSY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects approved under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during the last two years, State-wise;

(b) the details of the amount sanctioned for these projects during the said period, State- wise; and

(c) the details of the monitoring system constituted at State level and district level for implementation of PMGSY?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) & (b) A statement indicating State-wise details of the projects approved and the amount sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and also during current year is annexed.

(c) As per the programme Guidelines of PMGSY each State has State Level Standing Committee (SLSC) headed by the Chief Secretary or Additional Chief Secretary. The committee monitors (a) progress of implementation of the programme and (b) quality control; over see maintenance funding arrangements, review capacity at State Rural Roads Development Agency and Programme Implementation Unit (PIUs) levels including financial management and online monitoring. There is a three tier quality monitoring system. At the first tier, the contractors are required to carry out mandatory quality control tests. This tier is monitored at the District and the State level. In the second tier, the State Government is required to deploy State Quality Monitors independent of Executing Agency. The quality of works is monitored and the States are required to take appropriate corrective action on the observations of the monitors. This tier is monitored at the State level. In the third tier of quality mechanism, inspections are carried out by the National Quality Monitors and their observations are handed over to the District Programme Implementation Unit. The States are required to take appropriate correction action on the basis of observations.

In addition, State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee and District Level Vigilance & Monitoring Committee have also been constituted with greater involvement of Members of Parliament and other elected representatives.

Besides, the States have also been advised to adopt a five-pronged strategy consisting of

(i) awareness generation,

(ii) transparency,

(iii) people`s participation,

(iv) accountability / social audit and

(v) strict vigilance and monitoring at all levels.

An Online Monitoring System (OMMS) has also been operationalised for effective project monitoring and management.